

**Card of Thanks.**  
We wish to thank our relatives and friends and neighbors for their sympathy and kindness during our great sorrow, also for the beautiful flowers. Many thanks.  
Mrs. Edgar Sower  
Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Sower and family.

After commanding his soldiers to walk up to their death in machine gun fire, Ex-Kaiser Bill jumps when he sees a shadow on the lawn.  
The majority of Congressmen are getting down to Washington in season to vote to adjourn for the Christmas holidays.

## LOCAL ITEMS

About Our Town and Its People

Mrs. Horace Bennett of Flushing, who has been visiting at the home of Mrs. Emma Bennett on Broad St., was the guest of Mrs. J. Ward Wells, last Friday.

Mrs. Edna Wright and daughter, Juanita Belle, called on Mrs. Ethel Loomis, Monday afternoon.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Cramo, of Grand Rapids, on December 14th, a fine boy. Grandma M. E. H. Coville was delighted when she heard the good news.

Madras and silk shirts—Rumblers, Bridge Street.

John Essex received word that his son, Irwin Essex, was seriously sick with the flu, at his home in Grand Rapids. Elmer had taken and passed a civil service examination and had just started on his new duties in the Grand Rapids post office when he was taken sick and had to take to his bed.

Best \$1.50 shirt—Rumblers, Bridge Street.

Mrs. Will DeVault and son, James, from near Twinning, arrived this morning for an extended visit at the home of her mother and other relatives in this city.

Mary Malone returned to Mosely Wednesday after the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Castella.

Shirts for Christmas—Rumblers, Bridge Street.

Della Helms spent Wednesday in Greenville, visiting Mrs. Mary Bain.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Phillips, Dec. 13, a 10 lb. boy, who will answer to the name of Willard Raymond.

Ties 50 cents to \$1.25—Rumblers, Bridge Street.

Orman L. Jones of this city and Miss Edith of Edmore have married recently received here by Mrs. W. H. Bennett, that her grandson, Roy J. Bennett, was wounded in the first day of the big drive "over there".

His mother, Mrs. H. H. Bennett, of Flushing, who has been here as the guest of Mrs. W. H. Bennett for a week left on her return home, Tuesday morning.

Fred Reister, of Ionia, was in the city, Saturday as a between train visitor and of course, being unable to remain away from the smell of printer's ink, called at the office and gave the place his official O. K.

best granted a license to marry.

Christmas Ties—Rumblers, Bridge Street.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Brigham were in Grand Rapids Wednesday on business.

**MAKES EFFORT TO GET LIST OF ALL SOLDIERS**

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Knapp, Clayton Hayes  
Kingsbury, Elmer Levi  
Kennedy, Michael Thomas  
King, Charles  
Klock, Orville  
Klock, Dale  
King, Corporal, Charles  
King, Marshall

Layton, Orrin Earl  
Longan, Ben  
Lambertson, Glenn

Mosher, Morton  
Moore, Claude Clayton  
Murray, Frank L.  
McIntosh, Homer Glenn Earl  
McIntosh, Ernest Clare  
Mer, Frank Safety

Menke, Ernest Dancila  
Menke, George  
Madden, Lyle  
McConnell, Ray  
Magin, Francis J.  
Moore, Lyle  
Miske,  
Moon, Kenneth  
Moore, Oscar  
Main, Andrew

Osworth, Mark Marshall  
Orser, Leo  
O'Connor, Sylvester L.  
Oberlin, Kenneth

Packard, Edward B.  
Pickard, Bruce Harvey  
Pierson, Ray  
Page, Roy  
Pikington, Donald Earl  
Pierson, Floyd  
Parmeter, Harmon  
Pellett, George Watrous  
Price, Earl Leonard

Reed, Arthur J.  
Richardson, William Rae  
Riker, Adoo Paul  
Rusher, W. E.  
Rumler, Oscar  
Richardson, George  
Rumler, Ernest  
Richardson, Arthur

Steele, Marion  
Salzman, Albert Norton  
Steele, Lyman Clayton  
Salver, Fred C.  
Strong, Arthur Richard  
Stackus, Howard  
Sturtevant, Wilson  
Simons, Lyle  
Smith, Spencer  
Simons, Wilbur  
Simmons, Lynn F.  
Sayles, Orland  
Shannon, Howard  
Stump, Phil  
Sumner, Lee  
Simons, Harold T.

Trimble, George Heyman  
Timm, R. E.  
Tupper, Ernest

Vandewater, Fred Leon  
VanGilder, Ray Harold  
VanHorn, Kelly  
Vanderhoof, Harvey

Williams, Elwyn Oldfield  
Wagner, Melvin Leroy  
Washburn, F. Sidney  
Water, Elwood O.  
Wells, Edwin  
Wright, Lyle  
Wright, Guy John  
Wilson, Ralph  
Werner, Carl M.  
Whitney, George

ORLEANS  
Chickering, Alton B.  
Comstock, Ben C.

Guy, Elsie F.  
Guptill, Elmer

Hepps, William Henry

Knowles, Lawson M.  
Lash, Theodore Luther  
Martin, Virgil Edward  
Martin, Floyd  
Pitt, Norman James  
Rittenburgh, Nelson Frank  
Sanders, Fred  
Smith, Justin M.  
Yost, Jerry

OTISCO  
Bollinger, George Phillip  
Byrne, Frank J.  
Coleman, Charlie  
Eggleston, Ernest M.  
Fisher, John Milton  
Hausman, Albert  
Hilson, Peter  
King, George Paul  
Kohn, Charles Frederick  
Krupp, John  
Nichols, Myrre H.  
Richmond, Day W.  
Richmond, Adelbert  
Richmond, Fred W.  
Reeves, Robert  
Ritterdorf, Leo  
Sower, David  
Shindorf, Edward Anthony

## GIVE CHILDREN BIG NAMES BUT VERY LITTLE CARE

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Gageby, of Ionia, are up against the proposition of having their four children taken away from them, according to a petition before Judge Montgomery Webster, of the probate court for Ionia county and all because of the fact that they paid more attention to providing their offspring with great names than they afterward did in providing them with proper care and the four children are very apt to find themselves wards of the great state of Michigan despite the fact that their patriotic patronymics take one in memory back to the nation's historic halls of fame, where its greatest men and women are found.

Yes, naming their children after the great and illustrious of the nation seems to be about the biggest thing that Nelson Gageby and his wife have done for them and now, according to alleged neglect and improper care, Abraham Lincoln Gageby, William Jennings Gageby, Clara Barton Gageby and little Woodrow Wilson Gageby stand good chances of being properly cared for in one or more of the state institutions.

George Washington Gageby, another son, passed away into an untroubled world some years ago but the other four illustrious named tots are here as subjects of for debate, the county authorities on the one side and the elder Gagebys arrayed on the other, even little Woodrow, two years old, and the youngest of the four being unable to keep the family out of war with the authorities. In fact, it is largely on account of Woodrow and the others that the legal battle was begun for it is alleged that the care of the children is far from what it should be and that they would receive the much better care needed and so far better provided for at some state institution in view of the seeming neglect of parental duties which the children are at present experiencing at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Gageby formerly resided for a time in the Miriam district, occupying the old Peter Ritterhoff farm about a half-mile west of St. Mary's Catholic church and moved from there to Mosely about three or four years ago. Nelson Gageby, the father, usually does what common day labor he can get to do and for some time he was employed on the railroad as a section worker while living at Miriam. The family, while living there were considered to be in very poor circumstances, whether through lack of poor management, or what the neighbors knew not.

At any rate, the case presents its regrettable and pathetic side as undoubtedly the Gageby parental love is just as strong for their children as though the family resided in a palace and had all the goods and attention the world could give them.

## Important

Dear Friend:  
Our contract with the Government which necessitated sidetracking all regular Civilian orders so that we might devote all of our attention to the taking care of the soldiers first is now about to be completed.

All of our facilities are now being diverted to the regular line of business. Coats are rapidly being made up to fill the back orders that had accumulated, and shipments are going out in regular turn according to the order in which they were received.

The accumulation was so large that it is not likely we will be caught up until the first of the year; so we ask you to take orders, but not to take them for delivery before January first. Agreement to deliver any time after January first will be entirely satisfactory, and will be fulfilled unless some unforeseen emergency arises. We would like to have you give us as much time as possible on delivery dates. In other words, if you can get the customers to agree on delivery for January 15 or 20, please do so instead of dating them January first. Be sure to take deposits to bind the orders.

Now a word about the outlook. We have studied the situation carefully. Of course we have inside knowledge about conditions affecting the raincoat market generally. Raincoats are scarce. Retail stores are unable to get sufficient stocks. Manufacturers are unable to secure material in sufficient quantity. Fortunately we had contracts with mills for tremendous stocks far in advance doubled the past year; so we will have a vastly increased output right at the time when people are most in need of raincoats.

Now go right ahead getting orders. We are going to look forward to the receipt of a lot of orders from you.

Very truly yours,  
The Corner Manufacturing Co.  
J. F. Presley  
710 South Bridge St., Phone 53  
Belding, Michigan.

## HUNGER DRAWS THE MAP



A food map of Europe today shows not a single country in which the future does not hold threat of serious difficulties and only a small part which is not rapidly approaching the famine point. With the exception of the Ukraine only those countries which have maintained marine commerce have sufficient food supplies to meet actual needs until next harvest, and even in the Ukraine, with stores accumulated on the farms, there is famine in the large centers of population.

Belgium and northern France, as well as Serbia, appear on the hunger map distinct from the rest of Europe because they stand in a different relation from the other nations to the people of the United States. America has for four years maintained the small war rations of Belgium and northern France and is already making special efforts to care for their increased after-the-war needs, which, with those of Serbia, must be included in this plan, are urgent in the extreme and must have immediate relief.

The gratitude of the Belgian nation for the help America has extended to her during the war constitutes the strongest appeal for us to continue our work there. The moment the German armies withdrew from her soil and she was established once more in her own

sent of government the little nation's first thought was to express her gratitude to the Commission for Relief in Belgium for preserving the lives of millions of her citizens.

Germany, on the other hand, need not figure in such a map for Americans because there is no present indication that we shall be called on at all to take thought for the food needs of Germany. Germany probably can care for her own food problem if she is given access to shipping and is enabled to distribute food to the cities with dense populations, which are the trouble centers.

England, France, the Netherlands and Portugal, all of which have been maintained from American supplies, have sufficient food to meet immediate needs, but their future presents serious difficulties. The same is true of Spain and the northern neutral countries—Norway, Sweden and Denmark—whose ports have been open and who have been able to draw to some degree upon foreign supplies.

Most of Russia is already in the throes of famine, and 40,000,000 people there are beyond the possibility of help. Before another spring thousands of them inevitably must die. This applies as well to Poland and practically throughout the Baltic re-

gions, with conditions most serious in Finland.

Bohemia, Serbia, Roumania and Montenegro have already reached the famine point and are suffering a heavy toll of death. The Armenian population is falling each week as hunger takes its toll, and in Greece, Albania and Roumania so serious are the food shortages that famine is near. Although starvation is not yet imminent, Italy, Switzerland, Bulgaria and Turkey are in the throes of serious stringencies.

In order to fulfill America's pledge in world relief we will have to export every ton of food which can be handled through our ports. This means at the very least a minimum of 20,000,000 tons compared with 6,000,000 tons pre-war exports and 11,820,000 tons exported last year, when we were bound by the ties of war to the European allies.

If we fail to lighten the black spots on the hunger map or if we allow any portions to become darker the very peace for which we fought and bled will be threatened. Revolt and anarchy inevitably follow famine. Should this happen we will see in other parts Europe a repetition of the Russian battle and our fight for world peace will have been in vain.

## These Displays Will Solve All Christmas Gift Problems

Now that the most wonderful holiday of all is fast approaching, the problem of securing suitable, as well as practical gifts for relatives and friends is one that demands immediate consideration.

The best way to eliminate tiresome searching and dissatisfaction is for the shopper to bring his list to the store. Now before were gifts of wearing apparel so thoroughly acceptable or in such perfect taste. Here the practical gift-seeker will find a stock of merchandise greater from a standpoint of thrift and appropriateness than has been anticipated. Economy will mark all the purchases made from our special holiday offerings.

## Useful Gift Suggestions

Neckwear, Ribbons, Purses, Gloves, Traveling Bags, Silk Hose, Umbrellas, Aprons, Blouses, Towels, Linens, Bed Spreads, Handkerchiefs, Skating caps, Sweaters, Dresses, Skirts, Coats, Furs, Blankets, Curtains

## Special Prices on Coats

All of our coats are included in this great cut price sale.	
The materials are Plush, Velour or all wool Venetian or Broadcloth. Most of them are full lined.	
\$18.50 Coats	\$13.50
\$22.50 Coats	\$18.50
\$27.50 Coats	\$21.00
\$30.00 Coats	\$22.50
\$35.00 Coats	\$27.50
\$40.00 Coats	\$32.50
\$47.50 Coats	\$37.50
\$59.50 Coats	\$49.00

## Special Prices on Suits

\$27.50 Suits	\$21.00
\$35.00 Suits	\$27.00
\$37.50 Suits	\$29.50
\$39.50 Suits	\$31.00

## Morning Hours Best For Shopping

On account of the restrictions of the quarantine notice placed on all public gatherings, and limiting the number of persons we can have in the store at any one time it is hoped that as many of our town friends as possible will arrange to do their shopping in the forenoon and thus relieve the congestion in the afternoon and evenings.

Store will be open until 8:30 p. m. until Christmas eve.

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## The Last Time Do Not Delay

That we can urge you to visit our store now, not the last one or two days before Christmas, when things are picked, and all you can get is what is left. But be sure and buy it of Willoughby.

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